

**2SHB 2373 - H AMD 1203**

By Representative Bailey

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1 On page 3, line 23, after "to" insert ":

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4 On page 3, line 28, after "pass" insert ";

5 (b) A person who has been provided with a lifetime veteran's  
6 disability pass from the state parks and recreation commission under  
7 RCW 79A.05.065"

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9 On page 7, beginning on line 21, after "(6)" strike all material  
10 through "violation." on line 25 and insert "The penalty for failure to  
11 comply with the requirements of this section is ninety-nine dollars.  
12 This penalty (~~is~~) must be:

13 (a) Reduced to fifty-nine dollars if an individual provides proof  
14 of purchase of (~~the~~) a discover pass to the court within fifteen  
15 days after the issuance of the notice of violation; and

16 (b) Waived entirely if an individual shows that he or she either  
17 has a lifetime veteran's disability pass from the state parks and  
18 recreation commission under RCW 79A.05.065 or is eligible for a  
19 lifetime veteran's disability pass."

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21 On page 14, after line 19, insert the following:

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23 "**Sec. 15.** RCW 79A.05.065 and 2011 c 171 s 115 are each amended to  
24 read as follows:

25 (1)(a) The commission shall grant to any person who meets the  
26 eligibility requirements specified in this section a senior citizen's  
27 pass which shall: (i) Entitle such a person, and members of his or

1 her camping unit, to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental  
2 fee prescribed by the commission; and (ii) entitle such a person to  
3 free admission to any state park.

4 (b) The commission shall grant a senior citizen's pass to any  
5 person who applies for the senior citizen's pass and who meets the  
6 following requirements:

7 (i) The person is at least sixty-two years of age;

8 (ii) The person is a domiciliary of the state of Washington and  
9 meets reasonable residency requirements prescribed by the commission;  
10 and

11 (iii) The person and his or her spouse have a combined income that  
12 would qualify the person for a property tax exemption pursuant to RCW  
13 84.36.381. The financial eligibility requirements of this subsection  
14 (1)(b)(iii) apply regardless of whether the applicant for a senior  
15 citizen's pass owns taxable property or has obtained or applied for  
16 such property tax exemption.

17 (c) Each senior citizen's pass granted pursuant to this section is  
18 valid as long as the senior citizen meets the requirements of (b)(ii)  
19 of this subsection. A senior citizen meeting the eligibility  
20 requirements of this section may make a voluntary donation for the  
21 upkeep and maintenance of state parks.

22 (d) A holder of a senior citizen's pass shall surrender the pass  
23 upon request of a commission employee when the employee has reason to  
24 believe the holder fails to meet the criteria in (b) of this  
25 subsection. The holder shall have the pass returned upon providing  
26 proof to the satisfaction of the director that the holder meets the  
27 eligibility criteria for obtaining the senior citizen's pass.

28 (2)(a) Any resident of Washington who is disabled as defined by  
29 the social security administration and who receives social security  
30 benefits for that disability, or any other benefits for that  
31 disability from any other governmental or nongovernmental source, or  
32 who is entitled to benefits for permanent disability under \*RCW  
33 71A.10.020(3) due to unemployability full time at the minimum wage, or  
34 who is legally blind or profoundly deaf, or who has been issued a

1 card, decal, or special license plate for a permanent disability under  
2 RCW 46.19.010 shall be entitled to receive, regardless of age and upon  
3 making application therefor, a disability pass at no cost to the  
4 holder. The pass shall: (i) Entitle such a person, and members of  
5 his or her camping unit, to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite  
6 rental fee prescribed by the commission; and (ii) entitle such a  
7 person to free admission to any state park.

8 (b) A card, decal, or special license plate issued for a permanent  
9 disability under RCW 46.19.010 may serve as a pass for the holder to  
10 entitle that person and members of the person's camping unit to a  
11 fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental fee prescribed by the  
12 commission, and to allow the holder free admission to state parks.

13 (3) Any resident of Washington who is a veteran and has a service-  
14 connected disability of at least thirty percent shall be entitled to  
15 receive a lifetime veteran's disability pass at no cost to the holder.  
16 The pass shall: (a) Entitle such a person, and members of his or her  
17 camping unit, to free use of any campsite within any state park; (b)  
18 entitle such a person to free admission to any state park; ~~((and))~~ (c)  
19 entitle such a person to an exemption from any reservation fees; and  
20 (d) entitle such a person to a complimentary discover pass consistent  
21 with the provisions of RCW 79A.80.020.

22 (4)(a) Any Washington state resident who provides out-of-home care  
23 to a child, as either a licensed foster-family home or a person  
24 related to the child, is entitled to a foster home pass.

25 (b) An applicant for a foster home pass must request a pass in the  
26 manner required by the commission. Upon receipt of a properly  
27 submitted request, the commission shall verify with the department of  
28 social and health services that the applicant qualifies under (a) of  
29 this subsection. Once issued, a foster home pass is valid for the  
30 period, which may not be less than one year, designated by the  
31 commission.

32 (c) When accompanied by a child receiving out-of-home care from  
33 the pass holder, a foster home pass: (i) Entitles such a person, and  
34 members of his or her camping unit, to free use of any campsite within

1 any state park; and (ii) entitles such a person to free admission to  
2 any state park.

3 (d) For the purposes of this subsection (4):

4 (i) "Out-of-home care" means placement in a foster-family home or  
5 with a person related to the child under the authority of chapter  
6 13.32A, 13.34, or 74.13 RCW;

7 (ii) "Foster-family home" has the same meaning as defined in RCW  
8 74.15.020; and

9 (iii) "Person related to the child" means those persons referred  
10 to in RCW 74.15.020(2)(a) (i) through (vi).

11 (5) All passes issued pursuant to this section are valid at all  
12 parks any time during the year. However, the pass is not valid for  
13 admission to concessionaire operated facilities.

14 (6) The commission shall negotiate payment and costs, to allow  
15 holders of a foster home pass free access and usage of park campsites,  
16 with the following nonoperated, nonstate-owned parks: Central Ferry,  
17 Chief Timothy, Crow Butte, and Lyons Ferry. The commission shall seek  
18 state general fund reimbursement on a biennial basis.

19 (7) The commission may deny or revoke any Washington state park  
20 pass issued under this section for cause, including but not limited to  
21 the following:

22 (a) Residency outside the state of Washington;

23 (b) Violation of laws or state park rules resulting in eviction  
24 from a state park;

25 (c) Intimidating, obstructing, or assaulting a park employee or  
26 park volunteer who is engaged in the performance of official duties;

27 (d) Fraudulent use of a pass;

28 (e) Providing false information or documentation in the  
29 application for a state parks pass;

30 (f) Refusing to display or show the pass to park employees when  
31 requested; or

32 (g) Failing to provide current eligibility information upon  
33 request by the agency or when eligibility ceases or changes.

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1 (8) This section shall not affect or otherwise impair the power of  
2 the commission to continue or discontinue any other programs it has  
3 adopted for senior citizens.

4 (9) The commission may engage in a mutually agreed upon reciprocal  
5 or discounted program for all or specific pass programs with other  
6 outdoor recreation agencies.

7 (10) The commission shall adopt those rules as it finds  
8 appropriate for the administration of this section. Among other  
9 things, the rules shall prescribe a definition of "camping unit" which  
10 will authorize a reasonable number of persons traveling with the  
11 person having a pass to stay at the campsite rented by such a person,  
12 a minimum Washington residency requirement for applicants for a senior  
13 citizen's pass, and an application form to be completed by applicants  
14 for a senior citizen's pass."

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16 Correct the title, renumber the remaining sections consecutively,  
17 and correct any internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Provides a complimentary Discover Pass to any person  
who qualifies for a lifetime veteran's disability pass from the  
State Parks and Recreation Commission.

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